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3 April 1956

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in  
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 3 April 1956

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell  
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Special Assistant for Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Major General Robert A. Schow, acting for Assistant Chief of Staff,  
Intelligence, Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral Robert H. Rice, acting for Director of Naval  
Intelligence, Department of the Navy  
Major General Millard Lewis, acting for Director of Intelligence,  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Rear Admiral Edwin T. Layton, Deputy Director for Intelligence,  
The Joint Staff  
Mr. Charles H. Reichardt, acting for Atomic Energy Commission  
representative to the IAC  
Mr. Ralph R. Roach, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation  
representative to the IAC

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1. Approval of Minutes  
20 March Meeting  
(IAC-M-234)

Approved as written.

2. Watch Committee Reports  
No. 294 and No. 295

Noted.

3. Intelligence Requirements  
on US Citizens Held in  
Sino-Soviet Bloc Countries  
(IAC-D-101/3, 14 March 1956)

a. The report was noted.

b. The IAC members considered this matter and agreed that the intelligence community should actively support efforts by the U. S. Government to obtain more detailed information regarding Americans held in Communist countries, in order to facilitate US attempts to obtain their early release. They also discussed the possibility of collecting additional information of this type through non-intelligence sources, including other government agencies and private organizations and individuals.

c. The members agreed to establish an IAC Ad Hoc Prisoners Information Support Committee, under the chairmanship of a representative from the Department of Defense. IAC agencies were requested to notify the IAC Secretariat regarding their nominations for membership on the committee. The Department of State Prisoner Officer and Department of Defense Prisoner Officer are to be invited to sit with the committee.

d. No specific terms of reference were proposed at this time; however, recommendations contained in IAC-D-101/3, para. 8, 14 March 1956, are to provide a general guide for the

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Committee's operations. The IAC members also agreed that the Ad Hoc Committee should investigate further the extent to which pertinent information might be available from non-intelligence sources, and should make recommendations regarding a possible type of interdepartmental committee or other mechanism which might stimulate the collection of and serve as a focal point for processing all such information obtained from any US source.

4. EIC-R1 Series, Communist  
China's Trade and Transport  
(IAC-D-42/12, 20 March 1956;  
IAC-D-42/12.1, 29 March 1956)

Approved the recommendations in IAC-D-42/12, pages 2-3, 20 March 1956, including the amendment proposed by the Special Assistant for Intelligence, Department of State (IAC-D-42/12.1, 29 March 1956).



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6. JAEIC Report on Soviet  
Nuclear Tests  
(IAC-D-10/19, 30 March 1956)

a. Approved further dissemination of this report, as amended, on a need-to-know basis, and directed JAEIC to prepare a sanitized version for more general distribution.

b. Admiral Layton suggested that there be a review of present procedures regarding dissemination of such information, including DCID No. 11/1, as amended, and the members discussed generally various problems involved in appropriate distribution of this type of data.

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c. The IAC members agreed that JAEIC should review these problems, particularly with a view to making recommendations regarding possible revision of established IAC procedures or directives.

7. Glossary of Intelligence Terms  
(IAC-D-98/2, 24 February 1956,  
Draft)

a. Approved the recommendation of the Board of National Estimates that the IAC not undertake publication of a comprehensive, coordinated Glossary of Intelligence Terms.

b. The Deputy Director for Intelligence, The Joint Staff, and the representative of the Director of Naval Intelligence, Department of the Navy, dissented, believing it would be advantageous to proceed with the preparation of such a Glossary.

8. Offshore Islands  
(Memorandum to IAC, 27 March,  
enclosing Memorandum to DCI  
from Board of National Estimates,  
23 March)

a. The IAC members discussed the offshore islands situation and agreed that a brief special estimate of limited scope should be undertaken on a crash basis, with a proposed draft to be submitted for IAC consideration at the next IAC meeting on 10 April, if possible.

b. The members agreed that the memorandum to the DCI from the Board of National Estimates, 23 March, as well as a revision of this memorandum proposed by the Special Assistant for Intelligence, Department of State, should be used as bases for discussion by the IAC representatives in preparing the draft estimate.

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9. Quarterly Revision of the Program  
of National Estimates  
(IAC-D-1/15, 23 March 1956)

Approved as amended.

Adjournment: 1155



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